

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING SYSTEM**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**Agent File No.: 15680-1US PTN/df**

Applicant: Fabien LAVOIE  
Serial No.: 10/731,110  
Filed: December 10, 2003  
Title: APPARATUS FOR CARRYING LOADS ON INCLINED SURFACES  
Examiner: Charles N. Greenhut  
Group Art Unit: 3652  
Confirmation: 4511

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
U.S.A.

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the Office Action issued on August 14, 2008. The Applicant is herein filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. A *Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal* is attached for that purpose.

The Applicant herein petitions the Commissioner for a retroactive extension of time of one month. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee in the amount of \$65.00, together with any deficiency, to Deposit Account No. 19-5113.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1 and 4 are currently amended. Claims 3 and 13-24 are cancelled.